



# Nature Programs

## Fur and Feathers

(Ages: 3-13)

Uncle Henry the "nature boy" will be bringing another award-winning, eye-popping and entertaining program our way! Enjoy kid-friendly critters including a variety of birds and mammals and receive a small activity book. Fly on down to secure your spot!

6510.205 Tue, Jan 23 4:00pm-4:45pm  
1 Session at Dorothy Hart Community Center  
\$6 City and Non-City Resident (ages 3-13 pay)  
Instructor: Henry Michaloski  
Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City



## Ground Hog Day

(Ages: 3 1/2 yrs to 5 yrs)

Kids, come celebrate Groundhog Day! We'll make our own little puppet to take home, have an "earthy" treat, play, sing, learn groundhog lore, and more!

6211.201 Thur, Feb 1 10:00am-11:00am  
1 Session at Motts Run Nature Center Instr: Linda Bailey  
\$6 City and Non-City Res. (No fee for parents)  
Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

## Build Your Own Birdhouse

(Ages: 6 yrs to Adult)

"Cavity nesting" songbirds will have a dazzling new nook to nest in with your backyard birdhouse! Turn an ordinary coffee can into a wonderful wren nestbox! All supplies provided...just bring your creativity! Children under 12 must attend with an adult.



6231.301 Wed, Feb 21 4:15pm-5:30pm  
1 Session at Motts Run Nature Center  
\$8 City and Non-City Resident Instructor: Linda Bailey  
Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

## Owl Pellet Pickin's

(Ages: 8 yrs to Adult)

Come learn about owls' habits and hunting skills, then take apart a pellet, sorting the bones as we go... Finally, our mouse skeleton will be glued to backing for display in a glass-fronted riker mount box! All supplies and instruction included.

6235.201 Sat, Jan 20 10:00am-12:00pm  
1 Session Motts Run Nature Center Instr: Linda Bailey  
\$12 City, \$16 Non-City Resident  
Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

## Fantastic Flying Squirrels!

(Ages: 6 yrs to Adult)

Join local wildlife biologist, Ron Hughes, as he amazes and educates us on the flying squirrel—subject of his master's thesis! We'll learn the habits and natural history of this common but seldom seen nocturnal mammal in our cozy log cabin nature center. Sure to inform and delight the young and old alike!

6521.201 Thur, Feb 15 7:00pm-8:00pm  
1 Session Motts Run Nature Center  
\$4 City and Non-City  
Instructor: Ron Hughes  
Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

## Beautiful Buds and Bark

(Ages: 6 yrs to Adult)

A seasonal favorite! Come on out of hibernation and discover the woods without their leafy cover. We'll look for clues to trees in their bark, buds, and seeds. Dress warmly.

6225.201 Sun, Feb 25 3:00pm-4:00pm  
1 Session at Motts Run Nature Center  
\$4 City and Non-City Resident  
Instructor: Linda Bailey  
Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

## Winter Night Hike

(Ages: 6 yrs to Adult)

Bundle up tight and come into the night ... We'll sip a bit o' hot chocolate, then set out to explore the evening woods of winter! Bring a flashlight, wear sturdy shoes with good traction, and dress warmly. For Families and Adults (children must be 6 and able to hike quietly for about a mile). Meet at Motts Run Nature Center.



6331.201 Fri, Feb 2 7:00pm-8:00pm  
6331.304 Fri, Mar 2 7:00pm-8:00pm

1 Session each Motts Run Nature Center  
\$4 City and Non-City Resident  
Instructor: Linda Bailey  
Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

## Nature Play For Preschoolers

(Ages: 4 to 5 yrs)

Kids, grab your favorite grown-up and come on down to the lake! We'll spend 5 spring mornings exploring the woods and waters of Motts Run Reservoir, learning about frogs and toads, butterflies and other bugs, making friends, crafts and enjoying a snack! Spring on down to sign up for this popular program. Sorry, due to limited space, no siblings, please! For 4 and 5 year-olds. Note: final class on a Tuesday.

6210.301 Thu, Apr 19-May 10 & Tue May 22

10:00-11:30am

5 Week Session at Motts Run Nature Center

\$40 City, \$56 Non-City Resident

Instr: Linda Bailey

Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

## Awesome Orienteering!

(Ages: 9 yrs to Adult)

Spend an early spring afternoon learning the skills and adventure of orienteering! With map and compass in hand, we'll set out in search of hidden posts in the woods...who know, we might even find a treat at the trail's end! Great fun for adults and kids alike. Excellent scouting opportunity. Wear sturdy footwear, dress for the weather and bring water. Compasses provided.



6222.302 Wed, Mar 7 4:00pm-5:30pm

1 Week Session Motts Run Nature Center

\$6 City and Non-City Resident

Instr: Linda Bailey

Registration begins: 1/3 City, 1/10 Non-city

## Motts Run Nature Center

The Motts Run Nature Center needs YOU! Are you at least 16 years old and interested in sharing your love of nature with visitors to this lovely log cabin? You don't have to be an expert, just willing to help with questions and our hands-on displays. Volunteers are needed to staff the center on weekends, April through October. If you can give 10 hours next season, then come to our VOLUNTEER TRAINING on Wed. March 21<sup>st</sup> from 4:15-6:00pm at the Motts Run Nature Center. **CALL Linda Bailey to register: 372-1086, ext. 213.** Children welcome to volunteer with their parents.



## Wildflower Walk

(Ages: 6 yrs to Adult)

An annual favorite is back in bloom! Come search for spring wildflowers on this gentle woodland walk. We'll be on alert for Jack-in-the pulpit, spring beauty, mayapple, the rhizomes of bloodroot and much more!

6310.301 Sun, Apr 22 3:00pm-4:00pm

1 Session Motts Run Nature Center

\$4 City and Non-City Resident

Instructor: Linda Bailey

Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

## Dipnetting for Dragonflies

(Ages: 4 yrs to Adult)

Here's a great way to start your Saturday—at Motts Run Reservoir! We'll search the greening lakeshore for aquatic insects and more. From tadpoles to insect larvae, tiny mosquito fish to crawfish... there's a world of wonder just beneath the water's surface. Great fun for adults and children. Wear your best mud shoes!



6229.301 Sat, May 5 10:00am-11:00am

1 Session at Motts Run Nature Center

\$4 City and Non-City Resident

Instructor: Linda Bailey

Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

## Wildflower Slide Show

(Ages: 10 yrs to Adult)

Enjoy an evening in our log cabin while "strolling" through a slide show of spring wildflowers coming soon to your own backyard! The photos, taken at Motts Reservoir, cover an array of bloomin' beauties, from bloodroot to bluets, toothwort to tulip poplar. Learn identification, natural history and flower lore.

6530.301 Thur, Mar 29 7:00pm-8:00pm

1 Session Motts Run Nature Center

\$5 City and Non-City Resident

Instructor: Linda Bailey

Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

## Fishing for Kids!

(Ages 6-16)

Kids - come to Motts Run Reservoir and learn to rig and bait your fishing line, cast and reel in your catch...and much more! Presented by the Weekend Basses's Fishing Club. Nothin' fishy about it! Wear shoes you can get wet. Fishing gear supplied (or bring your own). Kids 10 and up may attend without parent.

6229.301 Sat, April 21 10:00am-12:00pm

1 Session at Motts Run Nature Center

\$5 City and Non-City Resident

Instructor: Weekend Basses's Fishing Club

Registration begins: 1/3 City 1/10 Non-City

